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TAGS: CDES IR (ROMAN, WLATER AND E.J.)

SUBJ: DEATH NOTIFICATION

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1. COMMON PRACTICE IN IRAN PRIOR TO A JUNE/JULY INSPECTION HAD BEEN TO ALLOW EMPLOYERS OF AMERICAN CITIZENS EMPLOYED IN IRAN ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR NOTIFICATION OF NEXT OF KIN IN THE EVENT OF DEATH. THE CONSULAR INSPECTOR INDICATED THAT THE EMBASSY SHOULD SEND OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION TO NOK WHETHER OR NOT NOTIFICATION HAD BEEN MADE BY THE EMPLOYER. A CLOSE READING OF CA 1597 INDICATED THAT EMPLOYER NOTIFICATION WOULD BE AN ACCEPTABLE SUBSTITUTE TO EMBASSY DIRECT RELAY CABLES.

2. THE CASES OF WALTER AND E.J. ROMAN IS TYPICAL OF A LARGE PERCENTAGE OF AMCIT DEATHS IN IRAN. WALTER WAS AN EMPLOYEE OF PAN AMERICAN, E.J., HIS BROTHER WAS VISITING HIM. BY THE TIME PAN AM FURNISHED THE EMBASSY WITH THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF NEXT OF KIN, NOTIFICATION HAD BEEN MADE AND TELEX INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING DISPOSITION OF REMAINS HAD BEEN RECEIVED BY PAN AM. UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES, IT SEEMS REDUNDANT FOR THE EMBASSY TO SEND A CABLE INFORMING RELATIVES OF THE DEATH AND REQUESTING DISPOSITION INSTRUCTIONS.

3. IT IS THE EMBASSY'S OPINION THAT EMPLOYER NOTIFICATION WOULD SUFFICE IN MOST CASES. DEPARTMENTAL CONCURRENCE IS REQUESTED.

4. IN THE CASE OF THE ROMANS, THE EMBASSY HAS NAMES AND UNCLASSIFIED

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ADDRESSES OF NEXT OF KIN, BUT HAS NOT, REPEAT NOT, SENT OFFICIAL

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